

REMARKS

The present Amendment amends claims 1, 3-10 and 12-27 and leaves claims 2 and 11 unchanged. Therefore, the present application has pending claims 1-27.

An amendment was made to the specification to correct the informality noted by the Examiner in paragraph 6 of the Office Action.

The drawings stand objected to due to informalities noted by the Examiner. Filed on even date herewith are Replacement Sheets adding the appropriate elements to the elements in the drawings. Therefore, Applicants submit that this objection is overcome and should be withdrawn.

The Examiner objected to claims 3-10 and 12-27 as having various informalities. Various amendments were made throughout claims 3-10 and 12-27 to correct the informalities noted by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicants submit that this objection is overcome and should be withdrawn.

Claims 1-27 stand rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regards as the invention. Various amendments were made throughout claims 1-27 to bring them into conformity with the requirements of 35 USC §112, second paragraph. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Specifically, amendments were made to claims 1-27 to overcome the objections noted by the Examiner in paragraph 9 of the Office Action. The Examiner's cooperation is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' Attorney by

telephone should any further indefinite matter be discovered so that appropriate amendments may be made.


Applicants note the Examiner's indication in paragraph 10 of the Office Action that claims 1-27 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection under 35 USC §112, second paragraph. Various amendments were made throughout claims 1-27 to overcome the 35 USC §112, second paragraph rejection. Therefore, claims 1-27 are allowable as indicated by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants submit that claims 1-27 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of claims 1-27 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (501.39981CX1).

Respectfully submitted,

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